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**Charlie Wilcox, by Sharon E. McKay**

**COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS, RESPONSE JOURNAL TOPICS, VOCABULARY**

**Instructions: Please answer the questions below in the space provided under each question. Your journal response and vocabulary word definitions should be done in the same fashion. Use as much room on this form as you need to complete each section.** [**You should upload to this page**](http://glendalegrade7.wikispaces.com/AM+Humanities+7) **when you are finished.**

**CHAPTER ONE**

**Comprehension Questions:**

1. The novel is set in 1915. List some of the details included in the book that help the reader understand what life was like back then.

They used telegrams instead of phones because phones just came out and were barley being used and they had cars but very little of them and they used horses and wagons and trains to travel

1. The Wilcox’s live in Newfoundland. Why, then, does Claire say that Charlie is “going to Canada”?

Claire shays Charlie is going to Canada to have surgery and get his foot curved

1. Picture the port of Brigus in your head. Use your five senses to imagine it. What adjectives would you use to describe it?

It is cold and the air is damp and it smells like salt everything is rusted and it is always windy and the sun is never out there is no cement houses are always getting blown down.

1. Explain why Charlie took his father’s spyglass, even though he knew he might get into trouble.

Charlie to his father’s spyglass so he could see if he could see his friends come in from this sea

**Response Journal Topic:**

Would you like to have lived in 1915? List some of the advantages and disadvantages of living almost one hundred years ago. Think of some of the comforts you enjoy today that would not have existed then. What comfort of modern life would you most miss?

Advantages: the air is cleaner, the land is healthier, its not as much fun but it sounds nice

Disadvantages: its very windy men are always out at work

**Vocabulary:** *muddle*, *fish-wife*, *smithy*, *quintals*

*Muddle: a wooden stirring spoon shaped like a miniature shovel.*

*Fish-wife:* Fish women were notoriously loud and foul-mouthed as in the expression

*Quintals:* is a historical unit of [mass](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Mass) in many countries which is usually defined as 100 base units of either [pounds](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Pound_%28mass%29) or [kilograms](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Kilogram)